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SUBJECT: NEW GOJ STATEMENT URGES ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL

SUMMARY: FONOFF ISSUED STATEMENT DEC 13 CALLING FOR IMMEDIATE, AT LEAST AT EARLY STAGE OF GENEVA CONFERENCE, WITHDRAWAL BY ISRAEL TO OCT 22 MILITARY POSITIONS. FONOFF DESCRIBED STATEMENT AS ONE STEP IN "RE STUDY" OF RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL PROMISED IN GOJ NOV 22 STATEMENT WHEN JAPAN "TILTED" TOWARD ARABS. END SUMMARY

1. FONOFF DIRGEN PUBLIC INFORMATION KURODA ISSUED FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON DEC 13:

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QUOTE:

A) THE MILITARY TALKS AT THE 10-KILOMETER POINT BETWEEN EGYPT AND ISRAEL HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED, AT PRESENT, AND TENSION IS INCREASING ON THE EGYPT-ISRAELI FRONT AND THE SYRIA-ISRAELI FRONT. THE SITUATION WHERE EVEN A POSSIBILITY OF RESUMPTION OF THE WAR CANNOT BE ELIMINATED IS EXTREMELY WORRISOME.

B) THE FIRST THING THAT SHOULD BE DONE TO BRING ABOUT PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST IS WE THINK FOR THE ISRAELI FORCES TO MOVE BACK IMMEDIATELY, AT LEAST AT THE EARLY STAGE OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, TO THE POSITION THEY WERE IN AT THE TIME THE CEASE-FIRE RESOLUTION OF OCTOBER TOOK EFFECT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS NOS. 339 AND 340.

C) WE STRONGLY APPEAL TO ISRAEL FOR THIS WITHDRAWAL. WE THINK THIS WITHDRAWAL SHOULD BECOME THE FIRST STEP TO ISRAEL'S WITHDRAWAL FROM ALL TERRITORY OF THE ARABS THAT ISRAEL HAS BEEN OCCUPYING SINCE THE WAR IN 1967. UNQUOTE.

2. KURODA TOLD PRESS THIS WAS FIRST "RE-STUDY" OF GOJ POLICY TOWARD ISRAEL PROMISED IN CABINET CHIEF NIKAIDO'S STATEMENT NOV 22 WHEN JAPAN ADOPTED A MORE PRO-ARAB POLICY TOWARD MID-EAST. KURODA SAID THE FONOFF INTENDS TO TAKE CONCRETE MEASURES EVERY TIME SITUATION IN ME CHANGES BASED ON "BITTER JUDGEMENT" THAT FOR PRESENT JAPAN HAD NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO PROVE ITS PRO-ARAB POLICY BY "PILING UP ONE ACTION AFTER ANOTHER." RECENT INCREASED TENSION IN ME, ACCORDING TO KURODA, REQUIRED CONCRETE STEP.

3. FONOFF ALSO INFORMED PRESS OF FOLLOWING FACTORS WHICH LED GOJ TO MAKE STATEMENT AT THIS TIME: A) ALTHOUGH ARABS ARE EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR JAPAN'S STAND, THEY ARE REQUESTING "CONCRETE MEASURES" IN TALKS WITH GOJ ENVOY MIKI. B) MIKI SCHEDULED TO VISIT EGYPT DEC 14. C) DECISION AT OPEC CONFERENCE TO REDUCE SUPPLY ANOTHER 5 PERCENT IN JANUARY UNLESS ISRAEL WITHDRAWS.
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